

STATE OF MAINE
BOARD OF FUNERAL SERVICE

Minutes of January 14, 2014 Board Meeting

Members Present: Robert Barnes, Chair; Brian Mays, Bethel Shields, Chad Poitras, Hervey Clay, John Brennan and Kenneth R.L. Finley

Others Present: Torrey Gray, Board Administrator; Ronald Guay, AAG; Dottie Perry, Investigator; and Merica Tripp.

Members Absent:

CALL TO ORDER

Robert Barnes, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

In a motion by Brian Mays and seconded by Bethel Shields, the minutes from the November 12, 2013 meeting were approved as written.

Vote: 6 in favor (1 recused – Kenneth R.L. Finley)

NEW BUSINESS

COMPLAINT PRESENTATION(S)

2013-FUN-9389

A complaint was filed against a licensed funeral practitioner alleging financial improprieties.

After review and discussion, a motion was made by Chad Poitras to dismiss the complaint. The motion was seconded by Brian Mays.

Vote: 7 in favor

2012-FUN-8788

A complaint was filed against a licensed funeral practitioner alleging unprofessional conduct.

After review and discussion, a motion was made by Ken R.L. Finley to dismiss the complaint. The motion was seconded by John Brennan.

Vote: 7 in favor

REVIEW OF DECISION AND ORDER(S)

Michael Walker

After review and discussion, a motion was made by Chad Poitras and seconded by Kenneth R.L. Finley to approve the Decision and Order as written.

Vote: 7 in favor

OTHER BUSINESS

CHAIR'S REPORT

Mr. Barnes noted he will be traveling to Florida due to his position as Past President with the International Conference of Funeral Boards.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Gray provided the Board with a licensee update and a review of administrative complaint procedures.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, in a motion by Kenneth R.L. Finley and seconded by Bethel Shields, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 10:36 a.m.